

## Message Text

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DRAFTED BY NEA/AFN:TSWILKINSON:PG

APPROVED BY NEA:NAVELIOTES  
NEA/PA:GSSHERMAN (PHONE)

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O 262346Z MAY 77  
FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY TUNIS IMMEDIATE  
INFO AMEMBASSY LONDON IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY ROME IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI IMMEDIATE  
AMEMBASSY VALLETTA IMMEDIATE  
CINCUSNAVEUR  
COMSIXTHFLT  
EUCOM  
SECDEF  
USDOCOSOUTH

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PLOS, ENRG, TS, OY, IT

SUBJECT:TUNISIAN-LIBYAN CONTINENTAL SHELF DISPUTE: GUIDANCE  
FOR PRESS INQUIRIES

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REF: TUNIS 3690

1. IN RESPONSE TO ANY INQUIRIES, YOU SHOULD FOLLOW LINE  
YOU HAVE PROPOSED IN PARA 3 OF REFTEL.
2. VALLETTA 595 BEING REPEATED TO MILITARY ADDRESSEES.

3. YOU SHOULD REQUEST THAT FONOFF ADVISE YOU IMMEDIATELY  
OF ANY ACTION TUNISIANS PROPOSE TO TAKE TO ASSERT THEIR  
CLAIM TO SHELF AREA WHERE "J. W. BATES" PROCEEDS TO DRILL.

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## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptoning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** CONTINENTAL SHELF, DISPUTES, OFFSHORE DRILLING, INSTRUCTIONS, THE PRESS  
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**Disposition Date:** 22 May 2009  
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